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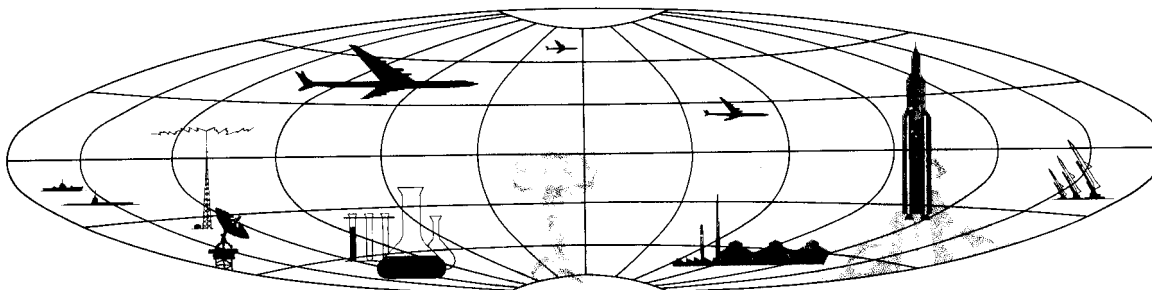
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PREFACE

This report is one in a series on Soviet Ground Force and Logistic installations being prepared for a DIA/CIA Panel. The series is being coordinated, published and disseminated by NPIC. The photographic analysis is being performed by the NPIC Photographic Analysis Group, the CIA Photographic Intelligence Division (NPIC), and the Production Center 1P1a (DIA). The photographic analysis for this particular report was performed by the NPIC Photographic Analysis Group.

In the interest of uniformity, the titles and letter designators for the facilities observed at these installations are identical with those appearing in the project requirement. When a specific facility is not observed both its title and letter designator are omitted in the report.

Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training area or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

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BALTA ARMY BARRACKS

(47-57N 029-36E)

BALTA, ODESSKAYA OBLAST, USSR

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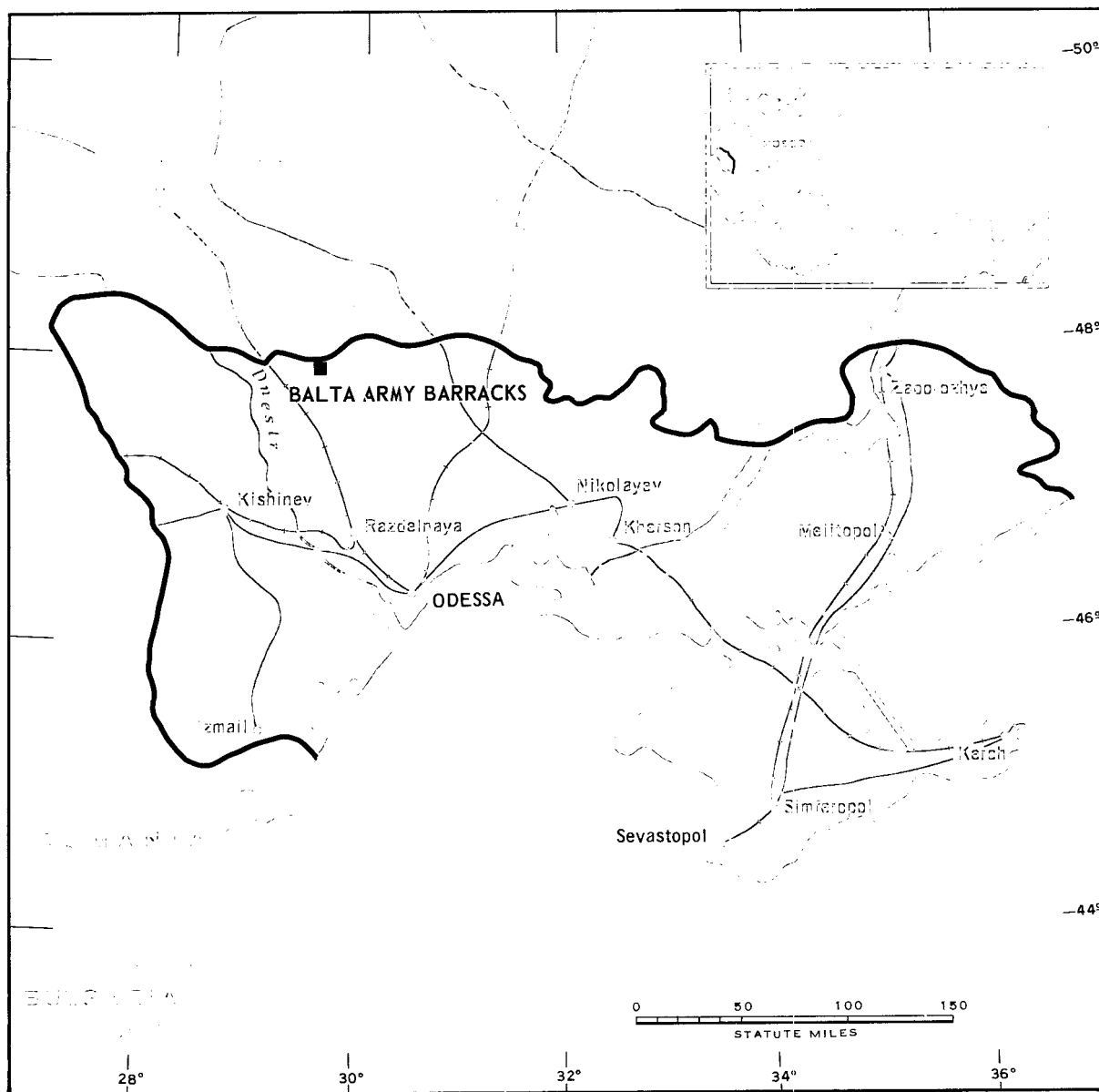


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF BALTA ARMY BARRACKS.

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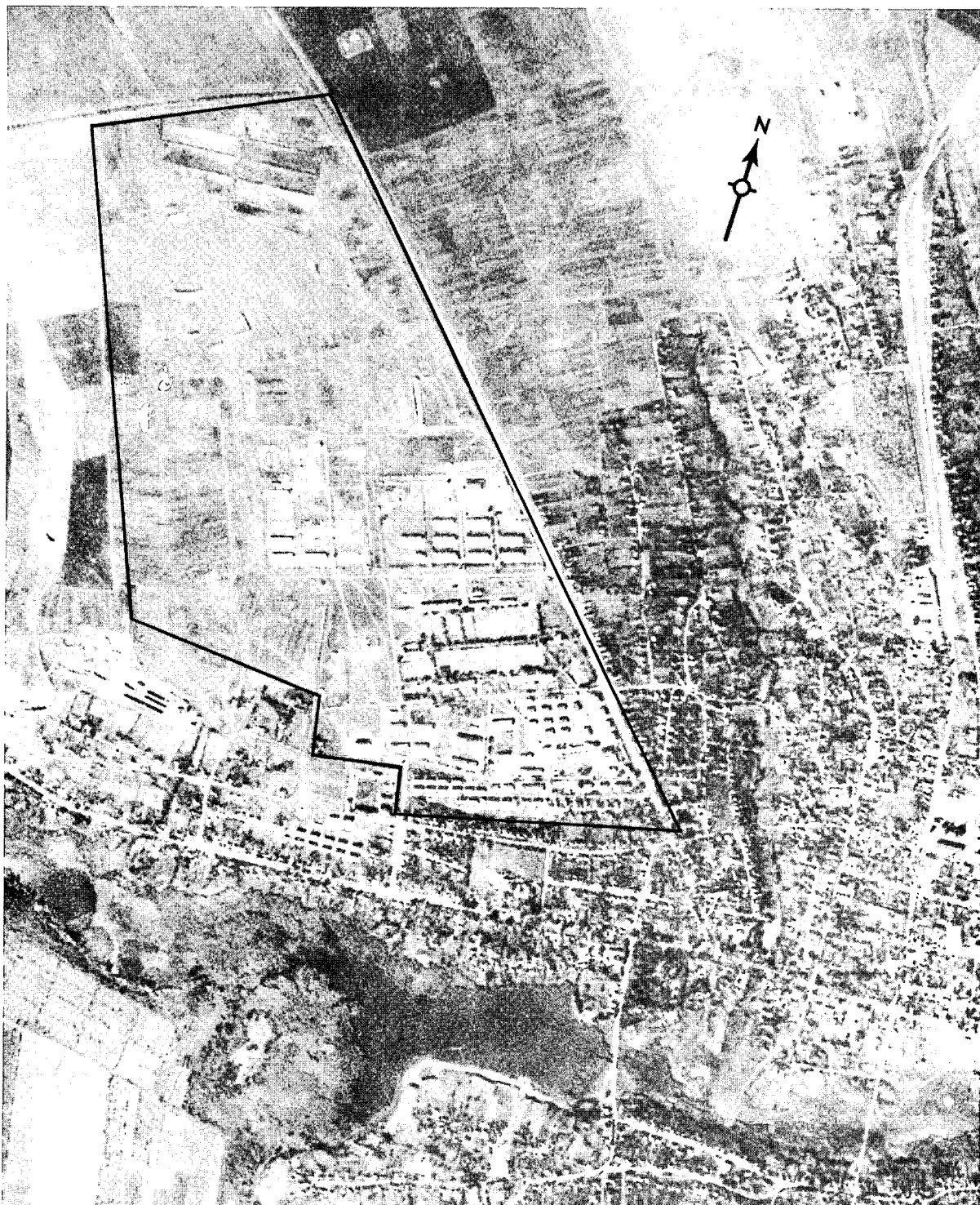


FIGURE 2. BALTA ARMY BARRACKS, BALTA, USSR,

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SUMMARY

Balta Army Barracks is located in the northwest section of Balta (Figure 1). The installation covers approximately 400 acres and contains 2 administration buildings, 5 barracks, 21 storage buildings, 42 support buildings, 25 quarters/dependents housing units, and 2 possible vehicle storage/maintenance buildings. A training area adjacent to the barracks installation contains a small-arms firing range (Figures 2 and 3).

The area was covered on [redacted] missions between [redacted]. During this period a relatively high level of activity was observed in the barracks area, with little activity in the training area. An SA-2 site in the training area was first observed in [redacted] and appeared abandoned on photography of [redacted]. Ten of the support buildings were constructed between [redacted].

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DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Road Service

The installation is served by city streets.

rows of tents/pieces of equipment were visible on photography of [redacted].

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Administration and Troop Housing Area

Area D contains 2 administration buildings, 5 barracks, 4 storage buildings, and 29 support buildings. Ten of the support buildings were constructed between [redacted].

Equipment Storage/Maintenance Areas

Area J1 contains a possible vehicle storage/maintenance building, 200 by 90 feet.

Area J2 contains a possible vehicle storage/maintenance building, 150 by 50 feet, and 3 support buildings.

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General Storage Areas

Area E1 contains 12 storage buildings and 3 support buildings.

Area E2 contains 5 storage buildings and 4 support buildings.

Small-Arms Range

Area L is a small-arms firing range, 400 by 50 feet. This range appears to be active.

Special Training Facilities

Area S contains an SA-2 site, possibly for training purposes. This site was first observed in [redacted] and it appears abandoned on photography of [redacted].

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Other Buildings and Facilities

Area H1 contains 25 quarters/dependents housing units.

Area H2 contains 3 support buildings. Two

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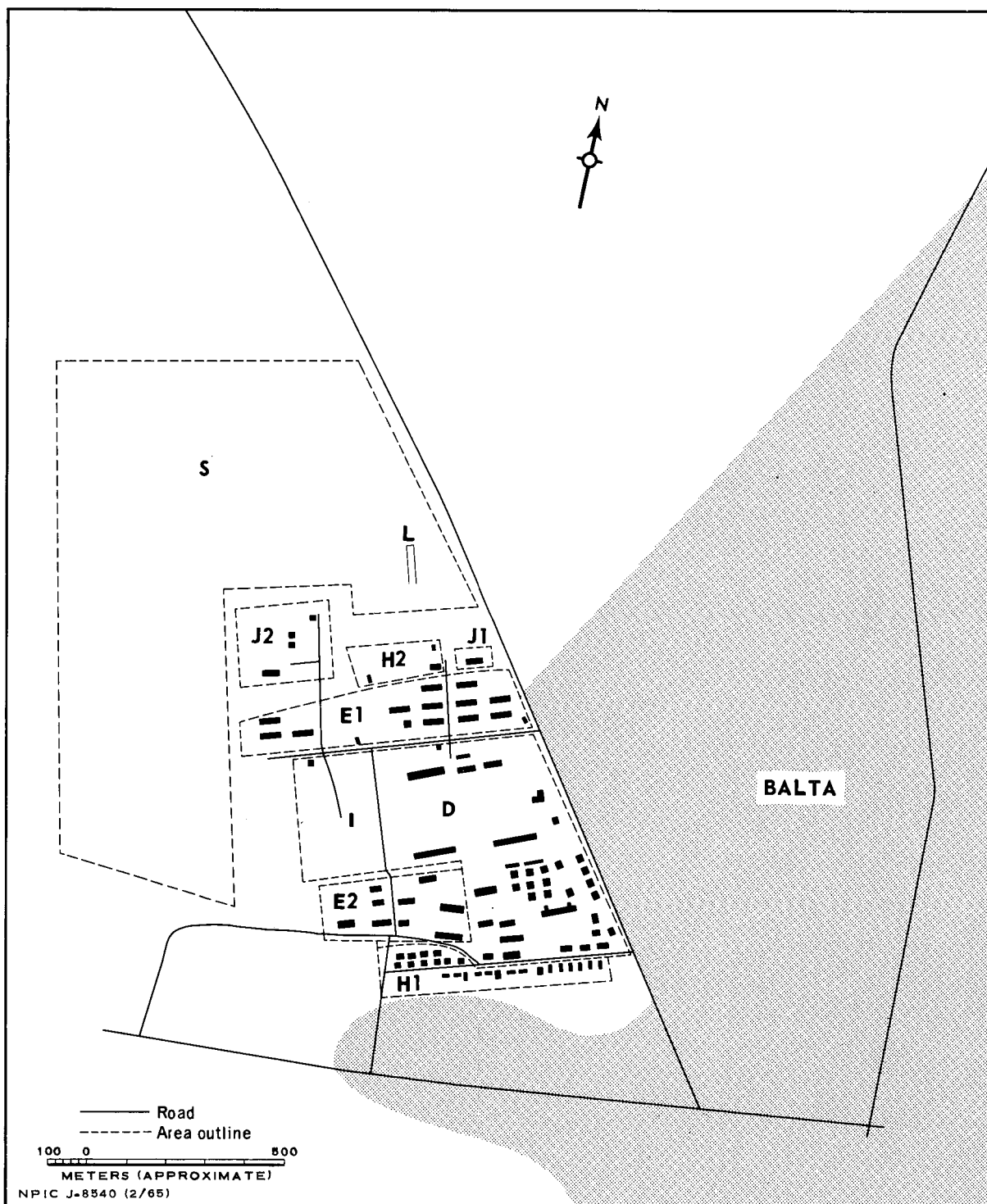


FIGURE 3. BALTA ARMY BARRACKS. Sketch compiled from

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